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From 221200B May 1945 To 231200B May 1945 Hq. 12th Army Group APO 655 232300B May 1945

Maps: G.S.G.S. 4336 and 4249, 1:250,000 12 AG OUTLINE MAP 1:1,500,000 (Situation Map attached).

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1. FRONT LINE: See Map.

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2. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See Map.

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3. ADJACENT UNITS AND SUPPORTING TROOPS.

6TH ARMY GROUP. (221200B). FIRST FRENCH ARMY. (Army Troops). GROUPMENT de CLERCK and 1st French Armored Division (with 9th RCA atchd). No change.

I and II French Corps. No change.

21 ARMY GROUP. (221200B). I British Corps. No change.

SECOND BRITISH ARMY. XVIII U.S. Airborne Corps. Relieved from attachment to 21 Army Group and reverted to command of 12th Army Group effective 221000B.

8th U.S. Division, 6th British Airborne Division and 82nd U.S. Airborne Division. Relieved from attachment to XVIII U.S. Airborne Corps and placed under command of Second British Army. 5th British Division. Relieved from attachment to XVIII U.S. Airborne Corps and attached to VIII British Corps. The 13th Brigade concentrated in the vicinity of WISMAR T4595. The 15th Brigade concentrated in the area S9673 - S9864 - T0171. The 17th Brigade concentrated in the area T4790 - T5090 - BEIDENDORF T4087.

XII British Corps. No change.

XXX British Corps. Continued to be relieved of responsibility for the BREMEN W7499 ENCLAVE by the 29th U.S. Division.

FIRST CANADIAN ARMY. (Army Troops). 5th Canadian Armored Division (with 18th Cdn Armd C. Regt atchd), 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Group and 2d Canadian Armored Bri ade. All no change.

II Canadian Corps. 2d Canadian Division. One battalion of the 4th Canadian Infantry Brigade concentrated in the vicinity of R1432. 1st Polish Armored Division The 10th Polish Armored Brigade concentrated in the area W0272 - V9154 - V9260 - V7797 - V7285 - V8475. 3d Polish Infantry Brigade continued movement to the vicinity of PAPENBURG V7798.

I Canadian Corps. No change.

AIR. (22 May). No operations.

4. WEATHER (Germany).

Precipitation: Scattered showers and thundershowers. Clouds: Broken to over-cast. Visibility: 2 to 3 miles at dawn except in fog patches where limited to 1000 yards, becoming 4 to 6 miles by 0900B except in showers where limited to 2 miles. Wind: 10 mph south southeast. Temperatures at WIESBADEN: Maximum 65° F. Minimum 45° F.

5. OUR OPERATIONS.

12TH ARMY GROUP. (Army Group Troops). FIRST ARMY Headquarters, Headquarters Company and Special Troops. Relieved from assignment to 12th Army Group and assigned to Normandy Base Section on 15 May. XVIII Airborne Corps. Relieved from attachment to Second British Army and reverted to command of 12th Army Group.

SEVENTH ARMY. XXI Corps. No change.

VI Corps. 2d French Armored Division. Commenced movement to an assembly area in the vicinity of IETZ U8757.

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THIRD ARMY. XV Corps. 106th Cavalry Group. Elements reached the vicinities of LIENZ X0505 and SPITTAL X6101.

III Corps. No change.

XX Corps. 9th Division. The 39th Infantry Regiment closed in the area Y6082 - Y4095 - T4704. 80th Division. The 318th Infantry Regiment assembled in the vicinit of MOOSBACH VO370. 3d Cavalry Group. Elements reconnoitered roads in the vicinity of ST RUPRECHT A7654.

XII and V Corps. No change.

NINTH ARMY. (Army Troops). 2d Armored Division. No change.

VIII Corps. Major General W. R. SCHMIDT 0-3573 assumed command on 20 May. 76th Division. Brigadier General HENRY C. EVANS 0-124891 assumed command on 20 May.

VII Corps. 7th Armored Division. Completed the relief of 104th Division and assumed responsibility for LANDKREIS BERNBURG D7062, LANDKREIS MANSFELDER SEE D7035, LANDKREIS SAAL D9040, STADTKREIS HALLE D9428 and the western portions of LANDKREIS DESSAU-KOTHEN D9754, LANDKREIS BITTERFELD E0345, LANDKREIS DELITZSCH E1030 and STADTKREIS DESSAU E1069. 104th Division. Closed in an assembly area in the vicinity of HALLE D9428.

XIII, XIX and XVI Corps. All no change.

FIFTEENTH ARMY. (Army Troops). 66th Division. Continued movement to an assembly area in the vicinity of KOBLENZ L9094. Relieved of responsibility for LORIENT Sector at 180600B and for ST NAZAIRE Sector at 201200B by French forces.

XXIII and XXII Corps. No change.

6. COMMAND POSTS: Changes during the day.

21 Army Group: XXX British Corps BUCKEN W9466; 5th British Division T4595; 1st Polish Armored Division V7055.

12th Army Group: XVIII Airborne Corps EPERNAY T2456; 26th Division PRACHATITZ Q5765; 63d Division PAD MERGENTHEIM N4701; 66th Division KOBLENZ L9094; 104th Division HALLE D9428.

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